

Docket No. 99-ASW-23] received October 7, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4746. A letter from the Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Revision of Class E Airspace; Falfurrias, TX [Airspace Docket No. 99-ASW-21] received October 7, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4747. A letter from the Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Revision of Class E Airspace; Corpus Christi, TX [Airspace Docket No. 99-ASW-22] received October 7, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4748. A letter from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Safety Zone; Chesapeake Bay, Hampton, VA [CGD 05-99-090] (RIN: 2115-AA97) received October 7, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4749. A letter from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Safety Zone Regulations; Mile 94.0 to Mile 96.0, Lower Mississippi River, Above Head of Passes [COTP New Orleans, LA Regulation 99-026] (RIN: 2115-AA97) received October 7, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4750. A letter from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Drawbridge Operation Regulations; Swanee River, Florida [CGD07-98-054] (RIN: 2115-AE47) received October 7, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4751. A letter from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Drawbridge Operating Regulation; Gulf Intercoastal Waterway, Algiers Alternate Route, Louisiana [CGD08-99-057] (RIN: 2115-AE57) received October 7, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4752. A letter from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Inner Harbor Navigation Canal, LA [CGD08-99-011] (RIN: 2115-AE47) received October 7, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4753. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulations Management, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule—Enrollment-Provision of Hospital and Outpatient Care to Veterans (RIN: 2900-AJ18) received October 6, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

4754. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulations Management, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule—Returned and Canceled Checks (RIN: 2900-AJ61) received October 6, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. MCCOLLUM: Committee on the Judiciary H.R. 1791. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide penalties for harming animals used in Federal law enforcement; with an amendment (Rept. 106-372). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. YOUNG of Florida: Committee on Appropriations. Report on the Revised Sub-allocation of Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 2000 (Rept. 106-373). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska: Committee on Resources. H.R. 795. A bill to provide for the settlement of the water rights claims of the Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy's Reservation, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 106-374). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mrs. MYRICK: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 326. Resolution waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 2561) making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes (Rept. 106-375). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. DIAZ-BALART: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 327. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1993) to reauthorize the Overseas Private Investment Corporation and the Trade and Development Agency, and for other purposes (Rept. 106-376). Referred to the House Calendar.

## PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. BLAGOJEVICH (for himself, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, and Mr. NADLER):

H.R. 3057. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit gunrunning, and provide mandatory minimum penalties for crimes related to gunrunning; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. FOLEY (for himself and Mr. ACKERMAN):

H.R. 3058. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide that aliens who commit acts of torture abroad are inadmissible and removable and to establish within the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice an Office of Special Investigations having responsibilities under that Act with respect to all alien participants in acts of genocide and torture abroad; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HEFLEY:

H.R. 3059. A bill to establish a moratorium on bottom trawling and use of other mobile fishing gear on the seabed in certain areas off the coast of the United States; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. McKEON:

H.R. 3060. A bill to prohibit mining on a certain tract of Federal land in Los Angeles

County, California, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. SMITH of Texas:

H.R. 3061. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to extend for an additional 2 years the period for admission of an alien as a nonimmigrant under section 101(a)(15)(S) of such Act, and to authorize appropriations for the refugee assistance program under chapter 2 of title IV of the Immigration and Nationality Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WISE:

H.R. 3062. A bill to provide grants to States for programs for the reemployment of laid off miners in reclamation work; to the Committee on Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. GILMAN:

H. Con. Res. 195. Concurrent resolution supporting the transition to democracy in Indonesia; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. EHLERS:

H. Con. Res. 196. Concurrent resolution permitting the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for the presentation of the Congressional Gold Medal to President and Mrs. Gerald R. Ford; to the Committee on House Administration.

## ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 269: Mr. WU.

H.R. 303: Mr. DIAZ-BALART and Mr. WEXLER.

H.R. 306: Mr. SKELTON and Mr. BARCIA.

H.R. 534: Mr. BASS.

H.R. 566: Mr. DINGELL and Ms. PELOSI.

H.R. 745: Mr. MCGOVERN.

H.R. 783: Mr. COMBEST and Mr. KOLBE.

H.R. 797: Mr. TERRY, Mr. HYDE, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. COMBEST, Mr. WAXMAN, and Mr. FOLEY.

H.R. 798: Mr. KUCINICH.

H.R. 826: Ms. WOOLSEY.

H.R. 976: Ms. NORTON and Mr. CASTLE.

H.R. 997: Mr. KASICH, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. RUSH, Mr. RILEY, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. PETRI, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. WATKINS, and Mr. BAKER.

H.R. 1083: Ms. DANNER and Mr. GORDON.

H.R. 1102: Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri.

H.R. 1221: Mr. BILBRAY.

H.R. 1300: Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi and Mr. MICA.

H.R. 1355: Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri.

H.R. 1357: Mr. TOOMEY.

H.R. 1363: Mr. HALL of Texas.

H.R. 1475: Mr. TOWNS.

H.R. 1495: Mr. COYNE.

H.R. 1622: Mrs. CAPPS.

H.R. 1644: Mr. LAHOOD.

H.R. 1798: Mrs. THURMAN.

H.R. 1816: Mr. MORAN of Virginia and Mr. LAFALCE.

H.R. 1860: Mr. STARK, Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO, Mr. BONIOR, and Mr. HINOJOSA.

H.R. 1887: Mr. GREEN of Wisconsin.

H.R. 1899: Mr. CLEMENT, Mr. SKELTON, Ms. MCKINNEY, and Mrs. THURMAN.

H.R. 2002: Mr. LUTHER.

H.R. 2059: Mr. WALSH and Mr. HALL of Texas.

H.R. 2120: Mr. ALLEN.

H.R. 2200: Mr. PICKETT and Mr. GILCHREST.

H.R. 2228: Mr. DEFAZIO and Mr. FARR of California.

H.R. 2298: Mr. GREEN of Texas and Mr. WAXMAN.

H.R. 2308: Ms. DEGETTE.

H.R. 2366: Mr. CANNON, Mr. CONDIT, Mr. VITTER, Mr. SMITH of Texas, and Mr. COMBEST.

H.R. 2418: Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. SAXTON, and Mr. HOLT.

H.R. 2457: Mrs. MALONEY of New York.

H.R. 2492: Mr. WEINER, Mr. CROWLEY, and Mr. SERRANO.

H.R. 2495: Ms. WOOLSEY.

H.R. 2528: Mr. THOMPSON of California.

H.R. 2539: Mr. DREIER.

H.R. 2543: Mr. BURR of North Carolina, Mr. BONIOR, and Mr. LARGENT.

H.R. 2612: Ms. KAPTUR.

H.R. 2631: Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD and Ms. ESHOO.

H.R. 2640: Mr. BOEHLERT.

H.R. 2659: Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas and Mr. BONIOR.

H.R. 2662: Mr. PAYNE and Ms. LEE.

H.R. 2710: Mr. CUNNINGHAM.

H.R. 2720: Mr. WELLER, Mr. BOUCHER, and Mr. TRAFICANT.

H.R. 2733: Mr. REYES.

H.R. 2735: Mr. CRANE.

H.R. 2741: Mr. CROWLEY.

H.R. 2749: Mr. SMITH of Texas and Mr. WELDON of Florida.

H.R. 2776: Mr. WYNN and Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut.

H.R. 2786: Mr. TOWNS.

H.R. 2856: Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. LIPINSKI, and Mr. ENGLISH.

H.R. 2890: Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi and Mr. CAPUANO.

H.R. 2892: Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, Mrs. LOWEY, and Mr. BARCIA.

H.R. 2902: Mr. SABO, Mr. MOAKLEY, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. BORSKI, Mr. HOLDEN, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. FROST, Ms. PELOSI, and Mr. ROTHMAN.

H.R. 2939: Mr. SANDERS and Mr. CONYERS.

H.R. 2986: Mr. ROYCE.

H.R. 2987: Mr. TALENT and Mr. NETHERCUTT.

H.R. 2999: Mr. WYNN.

H.R. 3028: Mr. SALMON.

H.J. Res. 46: Mr. MCHUGH, Mrs. LOWEY, and Mr. WEINER.

H. Con. Res. 141: Mr. PORTER, Mr. GREENWOOD, Mr. HORN, Mr. POMBO, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. ROHRBACHER, Mr. DIXON, Mrs. CLAYTON, and Mr. PASTOR.

H. Con. Res. 166: Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas.

H. Res. 37: Ms. NORTON, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, and Mr. FROST.

H. Res. 41: Mr. BARCIA, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, Mr. MARTINEZ, and Mr. UDALL of New Mexico.

H. Res. 224: Mr. MORAN of Kansas.

H. Res. 238: Mr. CAMP and Mr. WOLF.

H. Res. 269: Mr. SABO.

H. Res. 278: Mr. WALSH, Mr. KLECZKA, Mr. PHELPS, and Mr. MCHUGH.

H. Res. 298: Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. GILCREST, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO, Mr. DAVIS of Florida, Ms. WATERS, Mr. HOBSON, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, and Ms. PELOSI.

#### AMENDMENTS

Under clause 8 of rule XVIII, proposed amendments were submitted as follows:

H.R. 1993

OFFERED BY: MR. GEJDENSON

AMENDMENT NO. 1: Insert the following after section 4 and redesignate succeeding sections, and references thereto, accordingly.

#### SEC. 4. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT OF OPIC PROGRAMS.

(a) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.—Section 231A of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2191a) is amended—

(1) by redesignating subsection (b) as subsection (c);

(2) by inserting after subsection (a) the following new subsection:

“(b) ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT.—

“(1) ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT OR AUDIT.—The Board of Directors of the Corporation shall not vote in favor of any action proposed to be taken by the Corporation that is likely to have significant adverse environmental impacts that are sensitive, diverse, or unprecedented, unless for at least 60 days before the date of the vote—

“(A) an environmental impact assessment or initial environmental audit, analyzing the environmental impacts of the proposed action and of alternatives to the proposed action has been completed by the project applicant and made available to the Board of Directors; and

“(B) such assessment or audit has been made available to the public of the United States, locally affected groups in the host country, and host country nongovernmental organizations.

“(2) DISCUSSIONS WITH BOARD MEMBERS.—Prior to any decision by the Corporation regarding insurance, reinsurance, guarantees, or financing for any project, the President of the Corporation or the President's designee shall meet with at least one member of the public who is representative of individuals who have concerns regarding any significant adverse environmental impact of that project.

“(3) CONSIDERATION AT BOARD MEETINGS.—In making its decisions regarding insurance, reinsurance, guarantees, or financing for any project, the Board of Directors shall fully take into account any recommendations made by other interested Federal agencies, interested members of the public, locally affected groups in the host country, and host country nongovernmental organizations with respect to the assessment or audit described in paragraph (1) or any other matter related to the environmental effects of the proposed support to be provided by the Corporation for the project.”; and

(3) in subsection (c), as so redesignated, by striking “each year” and inserting “every 6 months”.

(b) STUDY ON PROCESS FOR OPIC ASSISTANCE.—The Inspector General of the Agency for International Development shall review OPIC's procedures for undertaking to conduct financing, insurance, and reinsurance operations in order to determine whether OPIC receives sufficient information from project applicants, agencies of the United States Government, and members of the public of the United States and other countries on the environmental impact of investments insured, reinsured, or financed by OPIC. Not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Inspector General shall report to the Committee on International Relations of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate on the results of its review. The report shall include—

(1) recommendations for ways in which the views of the public could be better reflected in OPIC's procedures;

(2) recommendations for what additional information should be required of project applicants; and

(3) recommendations for environmental standards that should be used by OPIC in conducting its financing, insurance, and reinsurance operations.

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by subsection (a) shall take effect 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

H.R. 1993

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AMENDMENT NO. 2: Insert the following after section 4 and redesignate succeeding sections, and references thereto, accordingly.

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(1) recommendations for ways in which the views of the public could be better reflected in OPIC's procedures;